



***MD 147 (Harford Road) from Baltimore City Line to Joppa Road
“Parkville Streetscape” Community Safety and
Enhancement Program Project in Baltimore County***

Project Fact Sheet – February 2009

Project:	“Parkville Streetscape” project to improve highway safety, traffic operations, pedestrian access and aesthetics along two miles of MD 147 (Harford Road) in Baltimore County.		
Limits:	Baltimore City Line to Joppa Road		
Construction Cost:	\$9 million		
Features:	Pavement grinding, patching, and resurfacing; replacement of sidewalks where needed; construction of ADA-compatible sidewalks and ramps; new curbs, gutters, and drainage system improvements; corridor landscaping and brick accents; creation of “pocket parks” and installation of community signs; installation of new street furniture, and landscaping. The roadway project also includes slight widening at the Putty Hill Road intersection and upgrades to existing traffic signals to include audible pedestrian signals and digital crossing time countdown signals. Baltimore County will provide pedestrian lighting.		
Contractor:	Rustler Construction, Inc. of Lanham, Md.		
Schedule:	Project Start:	Summer 2007	
	Estimated Completion:	Summer 2009	
Staging:	The original project schedule called for the contractor to work in multi-block segments along the Harford Road corridor, starting at the Baltimore City line and proceeding along the northbound side of Harford Road, then the southbound side. The schedule was changed in 2008 to expedite construction work along northbound and southbound Harford Road within downtown Parkville (Hillcrest Avenue to Onyx Avenue) and in the vicinity of St. Ursula’s School. Final surface paving between Hillcrest Avenue and Onyx Road was completed in September 2008.		
	Within the other sections of Harford Road, work is underway on both northbound and southbound sides. Final surface paving between Onyx Road and Joppa Road will be done in summer 2009, once the roadway reconstruction is complete on both sides of Harford Road.		
Status:	Winter 2009 – Streetscape Work Continues New decorative pedestrian lighting is complete along northbound Harford Road between Hillcrest Avenue and Putty Hill Avenue. Installation of new pedestrian lighting along southbound Harford Road, between Onyx Road and I-695, is slated for completion in spring 2009.		

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Status (cont.): New sidewalk, curb/gutter and ADA ramps along northbound Harford Road between Joppa Road and I-695 are complete (except in front of St. Ursula's Church, which is under redesign and will begin in spring 2009.) Construction of new sidewalk, curb and gutter along southbound Harford Road between Putty Hill Avenue and the I-695 interchange began in November 2008. Crews are continuing to place brick paver accents; they are currently working along sections of Harford Road between 4th Avenue and the I-695 interchange.

The intersection of northbound Harford Road and Linwood Avenue was redesigned this winter to meet updated federal Americans with Disabilities Act standards. Crews have broken ground on the future ramp realignment for the ramp from eastbound I-695 (Inner Loop) to southbound Harford Road; the final paving and new traffic pattern is slated for late spring 2009. SHA will install new flashing signals for pedestrians (yellow flashing Hazard Identification Beacons) at Garnet Road and at Fourth Avenue beginning winter 2009.

Crews have completed drainage work along both sides of Harford Road. Beginning winter 2009, crews will construct a new concrete median on the Harford Road bridge over I-695 and realign the ramp from eastbound I-695 (Inner Loop) to southbound Harford Road.

In spring 2009, crews are scheduled to perform pavement patching and repair work between Onyx Road and Joppa Road, to be followed by final paving work in summer 2009.

Lane Closures: During construction work, daytime lane closures along Harford Road may occur anytime between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Nighttime lane closures for construction and pavement work may occur anytime between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m., Sunday through Thursday. On-street parking along Harford Road will be restricted during construction on each multi-block section.

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NEXT COMMUNITY UPDATE MEETINGS – 2009

Monday, April 20 and Monday, June 15 * 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Parkville Senior Center, Harford Road at Hiss Avenue (use Hiss Avenue entrance)